

Remarks

Claims 1-17 are pending in the application, of which claim 1 has been amended to incorporate subject matter originally recited in cancelled claim 4, claim 15 has been amended to incorporate subject matter originally recited in cancelled claim 16, and claim 18 has been added to re-write original claim 12 in independent form (and claim 18 is therefore patentable over the cited art for that reason). Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

In the non-final Office Action dated November 8, 2007, the following objections and rejections are noted: the drawings are objected to on the grounds that Figure 1 should be designated as prior art; claims 1-3, 13 and 15 stand rejected under 35 U.S. C. § 102(b) over Clark (U.S. Patent No. 6,069,530) and claims 7-10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Clark. Claims 4-6, 11-12 and 16-17 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 14 is noted as being allowed.

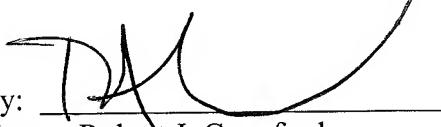
Regarding the objection to Figure 1, Applicant has provided a replacement drawing including Figure 1 designated as prior art. Thus, Applicant requests that the objection to Figure 1 be removed.

Without acquiescing in the rejections, and for the purposes of advancing prosecution, Applicant submits that as a result of the present amendment all the claims recite subject matter that has been indicated as allowed or allowable. Thus, Applicant believes that the application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact the agent overseeing the application file, Peter Zawilski, of NXP Corporation at (408) 474-9063 (or the undersigned).

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